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1. PRIMIN DEMIREL, TALKING WITH REPORTERS FOLLOWING APRIL 1
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING, SAID THAT THE EMBARGO WAS
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"ALMOST LIFTED" AS A RESULT OF THE SENATE-HOUSE CONFERENCE

COMMITTEE VOTE ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE AND "WOULD COMPLETELY DISAPPEAR" IF CONGRESS APPROVES THE DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT (DCA). DEMIREL STATED THAT "THERE CANNOT BE CHANGES IN THE AGREEMENT; IT WILL BE EITHER ACCEPTED OR REJECTED" BY THE CONGRESS "AND THAT THE FUNCTIONING OF THE INSTALLATIONS WILL BE DEPENDENT ON BOTH SIDES' FULFILLMENT OF THEIR COMMITMENTS."

2. FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL IS QUOTED IN APRIL 2 TERCUMAN AS STATING THAT "CONTRARY TO WHAT GREEK POLITICAL LEADERS AND THE GREEK PRESS CLAIM, TURKEY IS NOT IN AN ARMAMENTS RACE WITH GREECE...IN OUR OPINION, IT IS GREECE WHICH IS ENGAGING IN AN ADVENTUROUS ARMAMENTS RACE WITH TURKEY." CAGLAYANGIL CHARACTERIZED AS "REGRETTABLE" THE RECENT STATEMENTS MADE BY GREEK LEADERS, AND SAID THAT THEY "WOULD NOT HELP THE EFFORTS BEING MADE TO RESOLVE THE CONFLICTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES."

3. REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP) CHAIRMAN ECEVIT TOLD REPORTERS UPON HIS RETURN FROM LIBYA APRIL 1 THAT "IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS" AFFECTING TURKISH FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICY HAD OCCURRED DURING HIS ABSENCE AND THAT HE WOULD BE MAKING A STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT AFTER CONSULTATION WITH RPP OFFICIALS.

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